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Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada
Serrell Smokey, ITCN President
Tribal Chairman of Washoe Tribe
919 Highway 395 South
Gardnerville, Nevada 89410

Dear Tribal Members:

In accordance with established consultation guidelines, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is notifying Nevada tribes of the following proposed update to the State Plan and proposed change in policy:

Pursuant to Nevada Assembly Bill 277 passed during the 82nd (2023) Legislative Session, State Plan Attachment 3.1 A page 1 and page 1a (continued) and Medicaid Services Manual (MSM) Chapter 200 – Outpatient Hospitals will be updated to include a new provider type and policy language for Rural Emergency Hospitals (REH). A Rural Emergency Hospital is a facility designed to maintain critical outpatient hospital services in communities that may not be able to support or sustain a Critical Access Hospital or small rural hospital. Rural Emergency Hospitals meeting established criteria may be endorsed as a stabilization crisis center. These criteria will be set by Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to Tribal Governments.

If you would like a consultation regarding this proposed change in policy, please contact Monica Schiffer at (775) 684-3653 who will schedule a meeting. We would appreciate a reply within 30 days of the date of this letter. If we do not hear from you within this time, we will consider this an indication that no consultation is requested.

Sincerely,

Casey Angres

Casey Angres (Oct 26, 2023 16:47 PDT)

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